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U.S. Patent No. 3,612,758 and the Japanese references listed on page 1 of the attached Form PTO/SB/08a are cited on pages 2-5 and 7 of the instant specification and are relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

This application is the United States national phase of PCT Application No. PCT/JP03/15592. The International Search Report dated March 9, 2004, for the underlying PCT application identified the references listed on page 2 of Form PTO/SB/08a. WO 01/07506 is equivalent to U.S. Patent 6,488,872; JP 2002-539150 is equivalent to U.S. Patent 6,844,009; and WO 00/68300 is equivalent to U.S. Patent

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6,492,471. Copies of all references cited on Form PTO/SB/08a are submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement with the exception of the United States patents. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

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